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SUBJECT: THAI ARMED FORCES REORGANIZATION

CINCPAC ALSO FOR POLAD

1. THE APRIL 19 ISSUE OF THE NATION REPORTS THAT A HIGH LEVEL MILITARY COMMITTEE CHAIRED BY GENERAL SURAKIJ MAYALARB HAS PREPARED A DRAFT BILL PROPOSING A REORGANIZATION OF THE THAI ARMED FORCES. THIS WOULD REPORTEDLY INVOLVE FORMATION OF A JOINT ARMED FORCES CHIEFS-OF STAFF COMMANDED TO REPLACE THE PRESENT SUPREME COMMAND. IT WOULD ALSO ESTABLISH A JOINT SERVICE FORCES COMMAND HAVING EQUAL STATUS WITH THE THREE SERVICES TO CONTROL LOGISTICS, ARMS AND AMMUNITION SUPPLIES AND TO OVERSEE OFFICIAL MILITARY ENTERPRISES NOW SCATTERED AMONG THE THREE SERVICES, I.E., FUEL AND OIL ORGANIZATION, TANNERY ORGANIZATION, AND GLASS ORGANIZATION.

2. THE REORGANIZATION WOULD ALSO ESTABLISH TWO NEW BODIES REPORTING TO THE DEFENSE MINISTRY: A JOINT COMMAND COUNCIL AND A MILITARY AFFAIRS ADVISORY BOARD. THE JOINT COMMAND COUNCIL WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR STRATEGIC PLANS AS WELL AS "OPERATIONAL METHODS AND THE JOINT LOGISTICAL STRATEGY." THE ADVISORY BOARD WOULD ADVISE THE MINISTRY

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ON "MILITARY, POLITICAL, ECONOMIC, SOCIAL, PSYCOLOGICAL,

AND TECHNOLOGICAL AFFAIRS WHICH AFFECT MILITARY OPERATIONS."

3. COMMENTC THE REORGANIZATION PROPOSAL, WHICH SO FAR HAS BEEN REPORTED ONLY IN THE NATION, HAS NOT YET BEEN PLACED BEFORE THE NATIONAL DEFENSE COUNCIL FOR ITS APPROVAL. WE HAVE HEARD MUCH COMMENT ABOUT A PROPOSED REORGANIZATION WHICH WOULD ABOLISH THE SUPREME COMMAND BUT HAVE NOT YET BEEN ABLE TO OBTAIN CLEAR PICTURE OF PRECISELY WHAT THE REORGANIZATION PLANNERS CONTEMPLATE. AS BEST AS CAN BE DETERMINED AT THIS POINT, THE PORPOSED ORGANIZATIONWOULD AFFECT INDIVIDUAL SERVICES ONLY IN THE AREA OF LOGISTICS. IT IS NOT YET CLEAR JUST WHERE THE FUNCTIONS ASSOCIATED WITH THE US MILITARY PRESENCE NOW PERFORMED BY SUPREME COMMAND HEADQUARTERS (FORWARD) WOULD BE TRANSFERRED. WE WILL REPORT FURTHER INFORMATION AS WE ABLE TO DEVELOP IT.
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